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everything is going quite well in Finland but the people are always looking at activities in the USSR. Every Finn realizes that his country must maintain good relations with the Soviets who are now very soft in their attitude toward Finland. They are presenting no extraordinary claims. The Finnish papers are keeping a friendly tone and are careful not to publish anything which might provoke the Soviets.

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this current feeling not to provoke the Soviets does not reflect an increase in pro-Communist feeling. The Finns have not changed their minds about the dangers to independence the USSR presents. Fortunately, due to more favorable world market conditions, Finnish economic conditions are improving and Finland is in good shape to hold an independent attitude.

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